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1. IN YOUR DISCUSSION, ROKG SHOULD NOT BE ENCOURAGED
TO EXPECT USG WILL BE ABLE TO GO BEYOND AGREED RECORD
OF KRATZER-CHOI DISCUSSIONS. ACCORDINGLY, ALONG WITH
OUR EARLIER MESSAGE ON FUTURE BILATERAL SCIENTIFIC
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COOPERATION (REF C), FOLLOWING SHOULD PROVIDE EMBASSY

WITH BASIS FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH MOST ON
FEBRUARY 26.

2. JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE: WE HAVE DOUBTS ABOUT
DESIRABILITY OF GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKINGS
BUT YOU MAY ASSURE KOREANS COMMITTEE WILL BE AT A LEVEL
SUITABLE TO ASSURE PROPER FOCUS FOR FUTURE SCIENTIFIC
AND ENERGY COOPERATION. ROKG SHOULD UNDERSTAND OUR
PARTICIPATION WILL NOT BE AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL.

3. NUCLEAR REACTOR DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND
MAINTENANCE: ERDA IS PRESENTLY WORKING ON PARAMETERS OF

TECHNOLOGY THAT COULD APPROPRIATELY BE TRANSFERRED, AS
WELL AS TYPE OF TRAINING U.S. GOVERNMENT COULD PROVIDE.
ON WHAT U.S. FIRMS WOULD BE LIKELY TO PROVIDE, ONCE
PARAMETERS ARE ESTABLISHED, IT WILL BE UP TO THE ROK
TO TAKE THE LEAD IN MAKING THE COMMERCIAL APPROACHES,
ALTHOUGH WE WILL BE PREPARED TO RENDER FACILITATIVE
ASSISTANCE.

4. SISTER LAB RELATIONS: LETTER FROM ERDA TO CHOI IS
IN FINAL STAGES OF PREPARATION. AS ROK WAS TOLD IN
JANUARY DISCUSSIONS, ERDA HAS NO FUNDS FOR THIS PRO-
JECT.

5. FUEL FABRICATING: AS STATED IN REF C, WE ARE PRE-
PARED TO ENCOURAGE COMMERCIAL ARRANGEMENT IN THIS FIELD.
WE FIND NO EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT ALLEGATION THAT USG
BLOCKED POSSIBLE JOINT VENTURE IN FUEL FABRICATING IN
1971-72.

6. REPROCESSING: ROKS SHOULD NOT BE ENCOURAGED TO
BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE PREPARED TO GO BEYOND FORMULA-
TION CONTAINED PARA 4E, REF D.

7. REACTOR SAFETY AND REGULATORY COOPERATION: IF HIS
VISIT IS AGREED TO BY ROKS, COMMISSIONER MASON WILL BE
PREPARED TO DISCUSS KOREAN DRAFT AGREEMENT ON THIS
SUBJECT SUBMITTED TO NRC LAST MONTH.

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8. GENERAL AGREEMENT ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: WE
ARE IN PROCESS OF REVIEWING TEXT FORWARDED BY REF B.
YOU SHOULD NOT COMMENT AT THIS POINT.

9. REACTOR AND NUCLEAR FUEL EXPORTS: REF E PROVIDED
STATUS REPORT ON KORI-II LOAN. ON FUEL ENRICHMENT
SERVICES, WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO GO BEYOND FORMULA-

TION IN JANUARY 24 AGREED RECORD.

10. FINANCING: AS INDICATED IN KRATZER-CHOI TALKS AND INITIALED AGREED RECORD, USG IS NOT COMMITTED TO PROVIDE ANY FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR ROK NUCLEAR OR OTHER SCIENTIFIC PROJECTS. FURTHER, THERE IS NO POSSIBILITY OF A RESUMPTION OF AID BILATERAL CONCESSIONAL ASSISTANCE AND MINISTER CHOI AND OTHER ROKG SCIENCE OFFICIALS SHOULD CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THIS. AS INDICATED IN AGREED RECORD, WE ARE PREPARED IN THE CASE OF CERTAIN SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENTS ITEMS, SUCH AS A REACTOR SIMULATOR, TO EXPLORE EXIM FINANCING.

11. FYI. WE ARE LOOKING INTO POSSIBILITY OF A LIMITED AID CENTRALLY FUNDED PROJECT IN ENERGY AREA AS WELL AS POSSIBLE USE OF FAA SECTION 607 FOR REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THREE-YEAR CREDITS AT EXIMBANK TERMS. WE ARE EXPLORING THESE POSSIBILITIES WITH AID, AND HOPE TO BE IN A POSITION TO DISCUSS THEM WITH CHOI DURING HIS APRIL VISIT. END FYI. INGERSOLL

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